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1. There is a hydroelectric station near Tenojoki in the Petsamo region which was given to the USSR after the last Finnish-Soviet war in the 1940's. This station was completely destroyed in the war but rebuilt in 1952 by the Finns for the Soviets. It furnishes electric power for nickel refineries in the area and for other general uses in that part of the USSR.

2. At present, June 1953, the Rovaniemi district is being surveyed to locate a new hydroelectric power station there. The station will harness several rivers and its construction will relieve unemployment to a considerable degree. A stock company is being organized with the Finnish Government as a major shareholder.

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